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### For: Helicase Dependent Amplification of Nucleic Acids

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

## STATUS

- 2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement was already filed.**

## EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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### FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL ADDIT. FEE					\$	0.00	

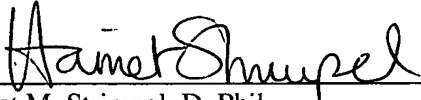
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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Official Action mailed June 13, 2006, Applicants wish to amend the above-identified Application as presented herein. The listing of claims begins on page two of this paper. The Remarks and Conclusion sections begin on pages 11 and 18, respectively.